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Guergis fights to keep spot among Tories

POLITICS Helena Guergis is not going down without a fight.

The former junior cabinet minister has written to the Conservative party asking it to reverse a decision to drop her as the Tory candidate in the Ontario riding of Simcoe-Grey. In the meantime, a potentially powerful candidate, pediatric surgeon Kellie Leitch, is weighing

her options on whether to make a formal run for the nomination. Guergis said she's appealing the party's decision, and wants the party to give her a chance to clear her name and re-

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EMAIL If you receive an email stating a friend wants

you dead, chances are it's a scam, or you need better friends. Police are warning the

public about a recent email that's making its way around cyberspace with the subject line, "Someone you call your friend, wants you

According to police, the email says someone known to the recipient has hired a hitman to harm them.

The email tells the recipient if they send \$5,000 they will not be hurt.

The email also goes on to say not to get police involved.

Police have only received one complaint about the scam so far but Staff Sgt. Howard Kunce said it's important for the public to be

"We've only received one complaint at this point in

time but we're hoping that by informing the public we can raise awareness on this particular issue and we won't receive any more

complaints," Kunce said.
"In the interest of not overreacting, we prefer to get this information out and make people aware that if you receive something like this, please don't participate or interact."

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Shoring defence

PM mum on Tory named in \$70M mortgage fraud suit

What kind of allegation or RCMP scrutiny will get a Conservative booted from caucus?

According to Prime Minister Stephen Harper, allegations of a civil or "private" nature don't cross the line, and that's why Alberta MP Devinder Shory is still sit-ting with his Tory col-

Shory is one of dozens of people named in a Calgary lawsuit alleging a \$70-mil-lion mortgage fraud — one of the largest in Canadian history — against the Bank of Montreal.

'This is a civil action, it's not a criminal matter, it's a private matter," Harper told reporters Thursday during a trip to the Netherlands.

Its origin is before he became a member of Parliament and it's before the court, so I'm not going to comment."

Harper was asked to compare the cases of Shory and former junior cabinet min-ister Helena Guergis.

The prime minister removed Guergis from caucus after a private investigator came to the party with allegations ranging from potential tax evasion to compromising photographs.

The Guergis matter also features some aggravating circumstances, although Harper has never specifically mentioned them. Her husband, former Tory MP Rahim Jaffer, is facing allegations of illegal lobbying. And Guergis embarrassed the party in February when

"What is the difference between him and member for Simcoe-Grey? ... Why is the member still sitting in the **Conservative** caucus?"

NDP Leader Jack Layton

she threw a tantrum at Charlottetown airport.

This week, she learned she would not be the Conservative candidate in her riding during the next election

But opposition leaders were having trouble seeing the distinction between the Guergis and Shory cases. In both, the RCMP are examining whether they should launch a full criminal investigation. Like Shory, Guergis has yet to be charged with any crime and insists she's done nothing wrong.

"There are some very serious allegations from a very credible third party, and we have to believe the Bank of Montreal is a more credible third party than a private investigator," Layton said in the House of Commons.

"What is the difference between him and member for Simcoe-Grey? Why did the government not call in the RCMP? Why is the member still sitting in the Conservative caucus?'

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casting their votes in the general election Thursday in Spelsbury, England. Though Cameron's Tories were poised to claim the most seats in the British Parliament, exit polls suggested they would fall short of the 326 needed to form a majority government. Story, page 8.

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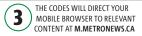
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John Henrys, Madison Violet tour

The John Henrys have joined forces with recently Juno-nominated duo Madison Violet, left, and have embarked on a 22-date cross-Canada tour. The two bands will be playing at Blackjacks Road House in Nisku on May 8. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door.

Babysitter who saved boys from fire facing suit

EMERGENCY A teenage babysitter once called a hero for saving two young boys is caught in the middle of what seems to be a liability battle between insurance companies.

'You know, you did everything right and this is what you get for doing everything right," said Ray Braybrook, father of 14year-old Aaliyah, who pulled the boys from a house fire and now faces a lawsuit over it.

On July 12, 2007, the Millses hired her to look after five-year-old Damien and his three-year-old brother. According to court documents, Damien found a lighter, began playing with it and set the family home on fire.

Aaliyah, then 12, had the presence of mind to pull the boys to safety and call the fire department. But the fire destroyed the adjacent home of Ken and Diane Mills, the boys' grandparents. Last July, a lawsuit alleging negligence was filed in their name against their children.

The statement of claim says Doug Mills shouldn't have left a lighter where Damien could get it and shouldn't have hired such a young girl to look after his children. On April 15, Aaliyah's name was added to the lawsuit. She is accused of not watching Damien closely enough and failing to call firefighters quickly enough.

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Public gets peek at Arena District

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Images of a buzzing shopping and entertainment centre, and interested Edmontonians filled the lobby of the Art Gallery of Alberta during an open house to learn about the proposed Edmonton Arena District Thursday.

Televisions and artist renderings displayed the area located between 101 Street and 104 Street where the proposed Arena would be built, and members of the Katz Group were on hand to field questions and com-

"Today we have been able to share four new images, which capture our current vision for what this project can be, and I think that's helpful," said Bob Black, executive vice-president for sports and entertainment for the Katz

"I think it is also helpful for us to have the opportunity to engage the public in a more wholesome discussion about issues such as



Artist rendering of how the interior and exterior would look if the proposed Edmonton Arena District goes through.

parking and traffic."

The Katz Group hopes to have a new arena available for the drop of the puck in September of 2014.

Images of a vibrant entertainment district including live music venues, restaurants, lounges, cafes, retail locations, hotels, a casino, and residential towers certainly impressed many of the people who stopped by to view the proposal

"Especially if you have

been in Edmonton for a long time, you would have grown up with Rexall which was the Coliseum and then Skyreach," said Kevin Der, who stopped by the open house.

"And now you would have a brand new facility with brand new amenities. I think it really would paint a fresh face on the whole city, because it kind of becomes a new centrepiece for the city."

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There was also some mixed feedback about the possible arena, and many people reported being given flyers, urging them to contact their MLA and say no to the proposal, by someone unhappy with the

"I think that nothing but good things can come of this for the downtown area," said Margaret Smith, who came to check out the proposed new arena.

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"As long as they don't take away from some of the inner city things that are going on there right now, because I know that there is the Boyle McCauley (Health) Centre is really nearby, and there is a soup kitchen right across the street, so I'm not sure how they are going to deal with that population, or if that is going to be a desirable population that they would want there '

MFC fighters readying for Friday night throwdown

MMA Much like a nice slice Alberta beef, local mixed martial arts promotion Maximum Fighting Championship (MFC), is a cut above the rest according to CEO Mark Pavelich. "People in Edmonton are

very smart when it comes to MMA," Pavelich said at the MFC 25 weigh-ins on Thursday.

"People in Edmonton know the difference Vindication are between eating available through prime steak from Alberta and eating a steak from the States. There's a big difference. Al-

berta beef is the best." Pavelich said, like Alberta beef, the MFC is by far the best fight promotion in the country and he has

plans for expansion.
"When we built the organization our vision was not to build it and sell it, our vision was to build it and expand and that's what we're doing right

Ticketmaster. now," he said. "When the Maximum Fighting Championship goes out of our marketplace, we'll be the only show in the country to do that and be suc-

Tickets for

MFC 25:

cessful. Pavelich said the MFC 25 card could go a long way in cementing the organization's reputation as tops in the country.

"I'm excited always

about every show I put on," he said. "I don't want to over hype the show but on paper, MFC 25 looks unbelievable.'

appearing for a weigh-in at City Centre Mall in Edmonton Thursday.

Jesse Taylor, left, and Thales Leites eye one another after

Eighteen fighters, in-cluding big names like Thales Leites and Jesse Taylor — who will battle it out in the main event — are ready to compete on Friday night at the Northlands Expo Centre.

This marks Taylor's sec-

ond visit to the capital city for a fight. The former Ultimate Fighter reality show contestant said training has gone well and he's ready to get it on.

"It's a good crowd, they seem to like me here," Taylor said after the weigh-ins. 'I feel good. Hopefully I can make it exciting and kick his (Leites') ass and they'll keep cheering for

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News in brief

CHARGES Charges have been laid in an alleged domestic assault that took place in Ermineskin First Nation on April 28. At 6:30 a.m. Hobbema RCMP were called to assist EMS after a 911 call from a woman needing medical help. The victim had substantial facial injuries, including a long cut across the victim's forehead, and she was taken to hospital. Police located a suspect in the home and have laid charges including agaravated assault.

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Edmonton Valley Zoo is celebrating mothers this Mother's Day, both human and animal. Events being held at the zoo give visitors the opportunity to pamper their own mothers with massages, treats and mini-manicures. METRO EDMONTON

News in brief

SHAKE IT The Edmonton Bellydance Academy is hosting its second Mother's Day Shake What Your Mamma Gave Ya!, or simply, Shake!, this Saturday. Shake! Is open to women of all ages and skill level and is designed to be a relaxed, yet fun and interactive occasion for mothers, daughters, grandmothers or friends. To register, contact Aurora at 780-238-

ARREST Police have arrested a suspect allegedly involved in theft, break and enter, and criminal flight on Wednesday. Twenty-nine-year-old Darryl Beauchesne was arrested by officers at 116 St. and 102 Ave. IMPAIRED DRIVING Too many people are still choosing to drink and drive, according to police. April marked a slight decline in overall calls to EPS' Curb the Danger program, but police still received 765 calls, 65 of which resulted in impaired driving charges.

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Grade 12 student Semobia Gova spends some time in a makeshift shanty town while fasting for 30 hours to raise money for World Vision.

High school students go hungry for charity

ANDREAS MORSE andreas.morse@metronews.ca

Trying to get a teenager to stop eating for any amount of time is almost impossible, unless that teenager is a student at M.E. LaZerte High School.

Then it's just another one of the school's many fundraisers.

Almost 75 LaZerte students took part in a 30 Hour Famine last week to raise awareness of poverty and malnutrition in com-

munities around the world.

Through the school's most recent fundraising campaign, students raised almost \$6,000, which will be donated to World Vision.

"The students are amazing," said Shelley Kofluk, the teacher organizer of the famine. "They just raised \$25,000 for cancer, and a week later they raise \$6,000. It's definitely where their interests lie and what they're passionate about."

The 30 Hour Famine hit home especially hard for Grade 12 student Semobia Gova. Her family comes from a small village in Africa and experienced hunger first hand.

"I wanted to do this because it was so personal to me," Gova said.

"I was so fortunate that my parents were able to immigrate to Canada. This gave me a chance to understand more about where my parents came from and what they went through."

Man pleads guilty in bus driver assault

COURTS A man who stomped on an Edmonton bus driver's face 14 times during a savage beating has pleaded guilty to aggravated assault.

Gary Edwin Mattson has also admitted he assaulted a peace officer in connection with the beating last December.

Court heard Thursday

that Mattson, who is 25, got into an argument with driver Tom Bregg over the \$2.50 fare.

Mattson hit Bregg several times while he was still in the driver's seat, and then dragged him off the bus and kicked him in the face when he became wedged between the bus and the curb.

The Crown says surveillance video from the bus shows Mattson repeatedly stomping on Bregg after he was already unconscious.

Bregg, who was in hospital for more than eight weeks and lost vision in one eye, showed up for Mattson's court appearance and said he is doing well.

Faculty team-building exercise benefits local kids

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BIKES When the U of A faculty began building bikes as a team-building exercise, they had no idea that children from the Boys and Girls Clubs of Edmonton would be receiving them.

The bikes were built by

The bikes were built by 24 groups of faculty from different departments during the University of Alberta's professional development workshop on May 6.

"I'm really happy that I got a new bike. I had a bike, but someone stole it."

Siem Goitom, 10

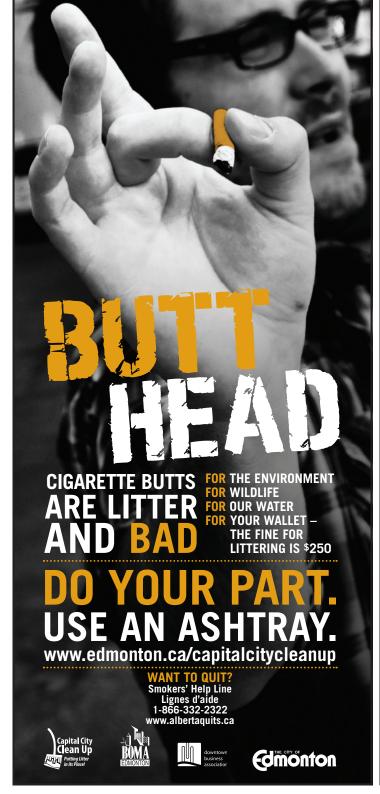
"This is the first time we've done this at U of A, so this is something new for us in terms of our leadership and program development workshop," said Chris Cheeseman, vice-provost

and associate vice-president for human resource services.

"I think it went great. I think they all had a really great time, and the surprise at the end was when the kids came in — that just blew everybody away."

Bike mechanics were also on hand to ensure they were ready to give out. "I'm really happy that I

got a new bike," said 10year-old Siem Goitom. "I had a bike, but someone stole it."



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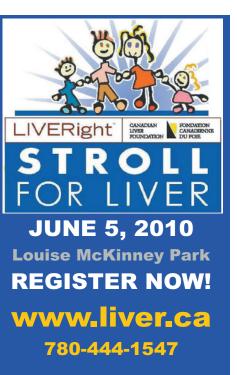
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6 Three Canada

Three Canadian journalists are being barred from Guantanamo Bay, where they have been covering pre-trial war-crimes hearings for Omar Khadr. The reporters for the Toronto Star, Globe and Mail and Canwest News Service breached a ban on identifying a witness, the Pentagon said. The CANADIAN PRESS





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PMs hail our wartime heroes

Prime Minister Stephen Harper and the Dutch PM paid a moving tribute on Thursday to the Canadian liberators of Holland.

Dutch PM Jan Pieter Balkenende summoned the memory of a 17-yearold private from Vancouver who gave his life in 1944 during the battle that opened the port of Antwerp and the path to allied victory.

The Dutch leader said the almost 1,000 Canadians buried at a military cemetery near the Dutch-Belgium border died in the "grimmest, fiercest, most savage battle fought by the Canadian army in the Second World War."

Harper picked up on that theme in one of the most eloquent speeches of his prime ministership.

Standing in a war cemetery that holds 968 Canadians, he addressed about two dozen Canadian veterans. "When the living come to salute the dead, our words speak loudest to those whose lives still lay ahead," Harper said.

Three Canadian journalists barred from Gitmo

"In this age-old act of remembrance, we gather not to call out a requiem, for those for whom we speak are not here."

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Top police back the gun registry

CRIME Three top police groups came together Thursday to defend the long-gun registry.

The Canadian Associa-

The Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police, the Canadian Police Association and the Canadian Association of Police Boards came out against a private member's bill that aims to scrap the registry.

The heads of all three

The heads of all three groups said perceptions of the registry are rife with misconceptions. They said it's not the billion-dollar boondoggle it has been made out to be.

It's now under RCMP control, it's well run and it costs taxpayers

just \$4 million per year, they said, adding police used it 3.8 million times last year. They said it saves lives.

Toronto Police Chief William Blair said police leaders "coast-to-coast" support the registry. "I would not suggest to you that that support is unanimous ... But every other police leader ... has recognized its importance to public safety."

Charles Momy, representing officers, said: "If the registry can prevent one person... from either committing suicide, from being injured or killed, or that a crime is solved as a result of information obtained by the registry, isn't that worth it?"

Manitoba Conservative MP Candice Hoeppner tabled the bill.

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War veteran urges Canadians to remember what soldiers sacrificed.

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Survivor She'll never forget



Montreal massacre survivor Nathalie Provost takes a moment to remember, following a small commemorative ceremony on Parliament Hill in Ottawa on Thursday. In 1989, a rifle-wielding Marc Lépine gunned down 28 people at École Polytechnique, killing 14 women. Provost was shot four times.





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Pardons derail checks: Liberal

CHILDREN A directive from Ottawa that has made it nearly impossible for school boards and other groups to do criminal background checks on people who work with children needs to be clarified — quickly, says Ontario Liberal Liz Sandals.

Backbencher Sandals says an agency that investigates criminal records on staff and volunteers for educational institutions can no longer access full records of sexual offenders who were granted pardons.

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World



Houston, we have a problem

NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory says engineers are trying to diagnose a problem in data from the aging Voyager 2 spacecraft near the edge of the solar system. A JPL statement Thursday says there appears to be a problem in a system that formats data sent to Earth. An unexpected change has prevented mission managers from decoding science data.

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Markets tumble

Investors fear Greek crisis could spread

World stocks plunged Thursday as fears Greece's debt crisis will spread to other European countries and undermine the global recovery continued to rattle markets.

Investors are questioning whether a \$142 billion aid package for Greece will be adequate to keep debt problems from engulfing other European nations with weak government finances.

The death of three people Wednesday in an Athens bank during a 100,000strong protest against government austerity meas-ures has further shaken confidence in the markets.

In early trading in Europe, the FTSE 100 index of leading British shares was down 0.5 per cent while France's CAC-40

Greece passes austerity bill

Greek legislators approved a crucial austerity bill Thursday needed to tap \$140 billion in bailout loans from the other 15 eurozone countries and the International Monetary Fund money needed to avoid a debt default. The bill passed with 172 votes in favour and 121 against.

dropped one per cent and Germany's DAX slipped 0.4 per cent. Stock futures pointed to modest losses Thursday on Wall Street.

Analysts said some Ĕuropean countries may have to cut government spending to calm jittery markets, which could undermine economic growth and demand for exports.

"On any further deterio-

ration in this situation, emerging markets will be hit" Citigroup said in a re-THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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No clear winner in Britain

ELECTION British Prime Minister Gordon Brown indicated Friday he might try to form a coalition government, seeking to keep his Labour Party in power fol-lowing an election in which the opposition Conservatives were projected to win the most seats but not gain a majority in Parliament.

But Conservative leader David Cameron - whose party was projected to snatch over 90 seats from Labour and produce its best showing in 80 years insisted that voters in Britain's national election Thursday did not want Labour to remain at the helm of the government.

"I believe it is already clear that the Labour government has lost its mandate to govern our country, Cameron said Friday in Witney, west of London. "Our country wants change. That



Ballot counting continued late into the night in Britain.

change is going to require

new leadership."

The exit polls reflected deep uncertainty over who will form the next government, prompting the country's top three parties — the Conservatives, Labour and the Liberal Democrats to immediately began jockeying to form alliances.

An analysis by Britain's

main television stations suggested the Conservatives will win 305 of the 650 House of Commons seats, short of the 326 seats needed for a majority. Labour was seen winning 255 seats and the Liberal Democrats 61, far less than had been expected after their support surged during the cam-THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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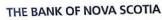
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Guatemalan woman alleges torture

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Tornado kills dozens

winds swept through southwestern China early Thursday, killing at least 29 people and injuring nearly 200, the Ministry of Civil Affairs said.

More than 70,000 people were relocated after torrential wind, rain and hail lashed the city of Chongqing overnight, the ministry said on its website. One person remains missing and 190 have been hurt, it said.

Thousands of buildings have been damaged in the hardest hit counties of Liangping and Dianjiang, disaster relief officials said, according to the official Xinhua News Agency.

In Dianjiang, storms destroyed 980 residential buildings and damaged over 10,000. The damage was estimated at more than 120 million yuan (\$17.6 million US), a county government spokesman said. Xinhua said the tornado struck



Two women who lost relatives in a tornado that swept through the village cry by the remains of destroyed houses Thursday at Libai Village of Shaping Town in southwest China's Chongqing

the area around 2 a.m. Thursday. Winds reached up to 112 km/h, while heavy rains pounded the area over a 24-hour period.

The Chongging municipal civil affairs bureau has sent 300 tents, 1,000 quilts and emergency lights to the affected regions. In addition, municipal health authorities have dis-patched two teams of medical workers to storm-hit

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Border crossing deadly for many

DEATHS The number of people who died trying to cross the U.S.-Mexico border illegally last year rose to 417, the first increase in four years, despite declines in apprehensions, according to an advocacy group.

The number of deaths hit a peak of 492 in 2005, but had fallen every year since then to a low of 390 in 2008, the National Foundation for American Policy said Thursday, citing U.S. Border Patrol statistics.

Meanwhile, apprehensions of illegal immigrants trying to cross the southern border fell to 538,000 last year, down from 705,022 the previous year.

Apprehensions peaked at 1.17 million in 2005, according to the foundation, which supports increasing visas for people to legally come to the U.S. A lack of U.S. jobs and tighter enforcement are thought to be reasons for the steady drops in apprehensions.

Last October, the Border Patrol had reported 378 deaths for 11 months of fiscal year 2009 and warned the final number for the full year probably would in-THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Weakened El Nino could mean trouble

STORMS The weather-altering El Nino condition in the Pacific Ocean seems to be easing and could be over by June, U.S. government climate experts reported Thursday.

If conditions do revert to neutral, it could complicate forecasting this summer's hurricanes, since El Nino years tend to have fewer storms than normal in the Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico.

Last month, forecasters Philip J. Klotzbach and William M. Gray of Colorado State University said they foresee above-average storm activity for the Atlantic hurricane season due to a warming of tropical Atlantic "and a more confident view that the current El Nino will weaken."

The government's hurricane forecast for this summer is due out later this month.

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Topping Calgary is all that matters



o, what's the best Canadian city in which to live? If you said that rhinestone in a diamond setting, Vancouver, you would be dead wrong. You would also be wrong if you chose that self-appointed centre of the universe, Toronto. According to a recent ar-

ticle in MoneySense magazine, the best city to live in Canada is — wait for it, wait for it — Ottawa/Gatineau. I don't know about you, but that came as a complete and utter surprise. But how you decide which city is better than another depends on the criteria you use. MoneySense used climate, prosperity, access to health care, home affordability, crime rates and lifestyle.

Such things as mountains, beaches and sunsets weren't factored in. No argument from me there. It's hard to live in a view.

So where does Edmonton rank on the list? Not surprisingly it isn't first. It's No. 16. That puts us behind such cities as London, Ont., Moncton, N.B., and horror of horrors, Winnipeg. Why, oh why, is this so? Let's look at how Edmonton was rated.

According to Money-Sense's research, Edmonton gets low marks because of its climate. We have almost 179 days of below 0 C each year compared to Ottawa/Gatineau's 163. Apparently, the fact that we are blessed with a "dry cold" doesn't matter.

Affordability of housing is one of our strengths. The average house price in Ottawa/Gatineau is about \$288,000 as opposed to \$319,000 in Edmonton. It takes an average of about 3.23 years to buy a house in Edmonton and an average of 3.16 years in Ottawa/Gatineau. However,

we pale by comparison with Vancouver where according to MoneySense, the average house price is \$762,000. That's about 10 times the average household income.

But let's get to what we all want to know. How did we compare to Calgary? Well, pretty good actually. Calgary ranked 27th. Given that Calgary sees itself as the centre of the Alberta universe how can that be? Apparently, Calgary has more days of below 0 C than we do. And it should

come as no surprise that we outrank it by quite a margin when it comes to cultural activities.

I am sure none of this bothers Calgarians in the least. The average household income in Calgary is \$122,459 versus \$98,857 in Edmonton. Counting their money should distract them from the fact that they placed 16 points behind Lethbridge.

Terence Harding is a corporate communicator. He's a keen observer of all things Edmonton; edmontonletters@metronews.ca.

Worth mentioning

Shoe architect's heels take a step up

A designer known as Romania's "shoe architect" has come out with a new pair of sandals that increase a woman's height by 30 centimetres.

The new shoes are being compared to skyscrapers because of their towering heels. But the price also may have something to do with it. In a nation, where the average salary is \$575 a month, the hand-crafted sandals are selling for up to \$1,525.

"Heels have an advan-

"Heels have an advantage because (many women) don't have long legs," said Mihai Albu, who's had a 20-year love affair making stilettos.

"They reposition the waist," he said in an interview earlier this week in his Bucharest atelier.

High heels have become fashionable, but Albu's are



Romanian designer Mihai Albu displays one of his shoe creations in Bucharest.

at least twice the height of ones that international designers have been flirting with for several years.

For instance, in Washington last month independent boutiques were strutting footwear that seemed

revolutionary, such as apple red patent and black stiletto heels. But the platforms were only four centimetres and the red heels 11 centimetres.

"This is unusual, but I think we can expect many

other fashion houses to be doing this," said Marcellous Jones, editor-in-chief of the Fashion Insider online magazine, by telephone. He said the late British designer Alexander McQueen, who died in February, used shoes with 30-centimetre heels in his last collection.

"They are impractical, but there are women who are brave enough to wear them. They get attention for the wearer and the designer," Jones said.

Albu uses French leather and encrusts it with jewels, feathers, mirrors, and taps into Romanian women's perennial love affair with high heels.

Despite the price, Albu says he has received dozens of orders for his new sandals from Romania's wellheeled. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Nintendo profits down 18 per cent

Japanese game-maker Nintendo suffered its first drop in annual profit in six years, hit by a price cut for the Wii home console and sliding global sales. The maker of Super Mario and Pokemon games said Thursday its net profit for the fiscal year ended March 31 fell 18 per cent to 228.6 billion yen (\$2.5 billion). THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Air Canada cuts losses

revenues helped Air Canada sharply narrow its losses in the first quarter as the economy continued to slowly recover in the first months of the year.

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\$84 million increase in system passenger revenues, which rose to nearly \$2.1 billion.

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ONLINE The CRTC has approved Bell Canada's request to bill Internet customers, both retail and wholesale, based on how much they download each month.

The plan, known as usage-based billing, will apply to people who buy their internet connection from Bell, or from smaller service providers that rent lines

In the meantime, Cana-

cations company BCE Inc. rang up a \$608-million profit in the first quarter, a period when the company showcased itself as the exclusive telecom services provider to the Vancouver . Winter Olympics.

The company reported Thursday net earnings applicable to common shares of 79 cents a share, compared to profits of \$377 million, or 48 cents, for the same 2009 period.

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Usage-based Internet billing gets CRTC's OK

from the company.

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Stronachs let go at Magna

AUTO Magna International Inc. shareholders will get a chance to end the Stronach family's absolute control over the global auto parts maker.

Frank Stronach and his family have controlled the company through a stock

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Lawrence Taylor faces rape charge

Pro Football Hall of Famer Lawrence Taylor was charged Thursday with rape for having sex with a 16-year-old runaway forced into prostitution, police said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Habs even series

(Series tied 2-2)

Penguins 2 Canadiens 3





After looking overmatched in two periods against the defending Stanley Cup champions, the underdog Montreal Canadiens pulled out another playoff surprise.

Maxim Lapierre and Brian Gionta scored early in the third period and the Canadiens held on for a 3-2 victory over the Pittsburgh Penguins to even their Eastern Conference semifinal series Thursday night.

"We had nothing happening, we couldn't get any sustained pressure in their zone," Gionta said of pulling off a win after two full periods of total Pittsburgh domination. "This is

"To go down 3-1 to a team like that would have been an uphill battle. It was kind of a must-win



Pittsburgh goaltender Marc-Andre Fleury looks on as Montreal's Roman Hamrlik celebrates teammate Brian Gionta's goal during the third period of Thursday's Game 4 in Montreal.

The best-of-seven series is tied 2-2 with Game 5 set for Saturday night in Pittsburgh. The series returns to Montreal for Game 6 on

Monday night. Trailing 2-1 going into the final period, the Canadiens lifted the noise from the Bell Centre crowd of 21,273 to deafening levels as they came back to win after having been thoroughly outskated and outshot 26-9 through the first 40 minutes. Tom Pyatt scored his first career playoff goal in the first period for Montreal while Max Talbot and Chris Kunitz replied for the Penguins.

But the star once again for the Canadiens was goalie Jaroslav Halak, who made 33 saves and stopped Pens star Evgeni Malkin on a late breakaway to preserve the win.

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Injury keeps Mauer on bench

Minnesota's Joe Mauer is making progress, but the deep bruise on his left heel still has him on the bench. Mauer took early batting practice before Thursday's game against Baltimore and said the injury is feeling better, but he's not ready to test his foot with running yet. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Canadian soccer gets another lift



his is the time when a columnist is supposed to coyly remind the reader he had it first.

The columnist code of ethics (of which there are none) dictates one should firmly remind the readers who broke the story, walk the readers through a tale of secret sources meetings and yet maintain a sense of decorum by not resorting to bragging.
When the Montreal Im-

pact officially announces its expansion to MLS this morning, I won't be shouting from the rooftops that I originally reported this deal in November.

Instead, I'm going to sit back and smile as the Canadian soccer landscape ex-

This is a special time for those of us who grew up playing the game on rough. worn pitches and watching our teams on illegal Internet feeds. We're now witnessing wholesale changes to the Canadian game in the blink of an eye.

It's staggering when you look back at what's happened in just five years.

Canada now has three professional soccer franon national networks and there is more mainstream print coverage than any of us could have ever imag-

Toronto FC has become the talk of the city.

Hockey-crazed Montreal put 50,000 plus people in Olympic stadium for a soccer game in February.

And Vancouver, already established as a North American leader for its deep-rooted soccer system, is on the cusp of becoming world-class when the renovation of B.C. Place and a national training centre are completed next year.

But the game isn't mainstream just yet.

Wednesday night, unan-nounced, a few hundred stranded footie fans gathered electronically, squinting and straining to watch an Internet feed of the Nutrilite Voyageurs Cup game between Montreal and Vancouver.

Far from professional hell, far from unprofessional — this game was brought to you by a webcam and a microphone pointed at a flat screen TV. It was gritty, it was ghet-

to, it was Canadian soccer.

As the saying goes, the revolution will not be tele-

But make no mistake, by time Montreal joins MLS in 2012, it will be.

Watch Ben Rycroft on the It's Called Football show every Monday at metronews.ca; ben.rycroft@metronews.ca

Sports in brief

NFL Adam (Pacman) Jones agreed to a two-year deal with the Cincinnati Bengals Thursday, putting the troubled cornerback on a team with a

history of giving players second chances. NBA Cavaliers star LeBron

James says a few days of rest and treatment has helped his injured right elbow. James made it through practice Thursday without feeling any pain. He participated in all contact drills. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Franzen's 4 goals ensure Wings will stick around

(Sharks lead 3-1)

San Jose 1 Detroit 7



Johan Franzen doubled his previous playoff scoring total in one game.

Perfect timing for the Detroit Red Wings.

Franzen had a natural hat trick in a 3:26 span of the first period, scored a fourth goal in the third, and set a team playoff record with six points as Detroit staved alive with a 7-1 rout of the San Jose Sharks on Thursday night in Game 4 of the Western Conference semifinals.

"Hopefully, I can get some confidence and the team can get some confidence," Franzen said.
"I've been struggling on the goal-scoring side."

Franzen had just two goals in the first 10 playoff games. The burly forward known as "Mule" scored 25 times the previous two postseasons for the twotime defending Western Conference champions.

"Mule is one of those guys - like (Joe) Pavelski - when you get hot, you just shoot the puck,' Detroit coach Mike Babcock said.

San Jose will host Game 5 on Saturday night with another chance to advance to hockey's final four for the second time in franchise history and first since 2004.

"Mavbe this spanking will wake us up to know we're not out of the woods," Sharks coach Todd McLellan said.

"I'm saying it. We have to respond to it.'

Franzen was originally credited with scoring the first goal 5:40 in, but the goal was changed to Todd Bertuzzi. That prevented Franzen from tying the NHL playoff record with four goals in a period.

Jimmy Howard was solid, making 28 saves, after three straight shaky performances.

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NBA Maybe all the Orlando Magic needed after a slow start was a slap in the face.

Dwight Howard came back from a bloody nose to finish with 29 points and 17 rebounds, and the Magic beat the Atlanta Hawks 112-98 on Thursday night to take a 2-0 lead in the Eastern Conference semifinal series.

Vince Carter had 24 points with some big shots late and Rashard Lewis finished with 20 points, leading Orlando's 19-2 run in fourth quarter. The perennially poor free-throw shooting Howard also was 13 for 18 from the line.

"Every time I step up there, just believing it was going in," he said.

The Hawks avoided embarrassment but not another road playoff loss.

After a 43-point loss in

the opener, the Hawks led early but head home still searching for a way to stop the Magic's 12-game winning streak. Al Horford led Atlanta with 24 points.

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Summer Camps

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Experiment with science

YONATHAN SUMAMO for Metro Edmonton

Just because school is out doesn't mean the learning has to stop.

Especially when it comes to a few great science summer camps offered in Edmonton.

Take the Telus World of Science Edmonton camps for instance.

Frank Florian, Director of Public Programs at Telus World of Science Edmonton said with a variety of different camps and age groups for six to 14-year olds, there is something for every-

And all though the children will walk away with some new knowledge of science, this is anything but a classroom.

"It's a whole lot different then school in the sense that our camps are activity related," Florian said. "We do a lot of different types of activities and it's not just someone lecturing them and then trying to remember information."

Florian explained one of the best parts about the camps is, for the most part, all the budding summer students get to take home whatever they make. The Telus World of Sci-

The Telus World of Science Edmonton has been doing science summer camps since they opened in 1984.

Along with a wide variety of camps, field trips to spe-



Science camps offer kids the opportunity to expand their imaginations and have fun.

cial sites are also incorporated into many of the weeks, as well as use of the state-of-the art facilities at the Telus World of Science Edmonton.

Prices for the camps range from \$180 to \$350, with the option to include lunches for the week.

Another camp working hard to break children's fear of learning during the months of July and August is the DiscoverE science camps at the University of Alberta.

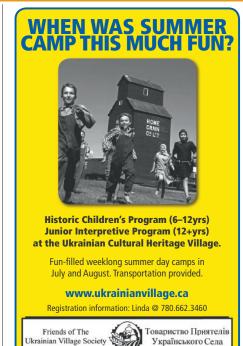
Put on by the Faculty of Engineering, as well as students from Sciences and Education, the DiscoverE camps have been opening up the world of science to young kids since 1993.

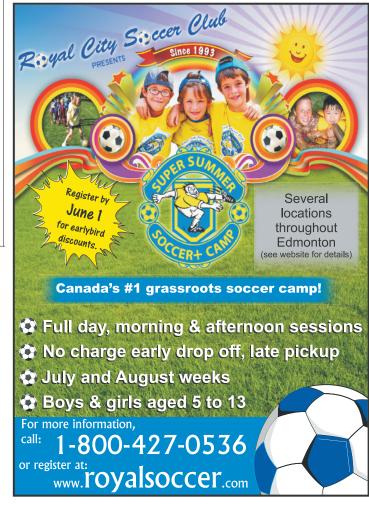
"Kids will have a great

time at these summer camps because we try so hard to put fun first," said Jonathan Hudson, Associate Director of Operations and Finance. "It's in our mission to get kids excited about engineering, science and technology.

Also offering a huge range of different types of science camps, DiscoverE partners with different faculties, such as Physical Education or the Department of Music, where the campers will learn more than just science.

Five-day camps are only \$200, and weeks shortened by a long weekend are \$170. Special bursaries are also available for families who are unable to afford the camp prices.







16 summer camps

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Despite the weather, summer vacation is mere

months away.

And with summer vacation? Summer camps, naturally. But with so many camps in the city of Edmonton, a few often get overlooked, such as horseback riding camps.

One of these camps in-cludes the Horse Riders River Valley Day Camp at Whitemud Equine Centre on 12505 Keillor Road Northwest, just off Fox Drive.

These day camps have been taking place for about six years in association with the City of Edmonton and focus on riding fundamentals as well as grooming.

Diane David, administrator at the Centre, explained over the years, the day camps have grown and flourished.

"We get a lot of repeat riders, those who have been with us for more than one summer," she said. "We are also seeing more ethnic diversity, which is great. And



Riding camps are a great way to introduce kids and animals

we are seeing more young teenagers coming into the

She also explained the camps, including the horses, are extremely friendly to beginners, which makes the River Valley Day Camp a great choice for youngsters.

The camps are for ages eight to 15 and cost \$360.

which includes a horse-riding helmet. Another great beginner camp is the Cadence Creek Equine Centre, located just 15 minutes east Edmonton, Ardrossan.

Offering both day and overnight camps, parents have the choice of having their kids spend the entire

Rob Davy, owner of the camp, said that the program is targeted towards young beginners, rather then competitive riding.

"We are not trying to turn them into Olympic show jumpers in a week, because that is not realistic," Davy said.

Davy added campers are split into groups based on their experience, with about half of the kids having none. Like the Horse Riders River Valley Day Camp, Cadence Creek also focuses on the basics of horseback riding, grooming and barn upkeep.

Day camps for the week cost \$350, with snacks pro-The residential vided. overnight camps cost \$800, with all meals provided.

Campers are required to bring their own appropriate footwear and horseback riding helmet.

For more information on Cadence Creek, visit horsesummercamps.com. find out more about Horse Riders River Valley Day Camp, check out their information on the City of Edmonton site, edmonton.ca.

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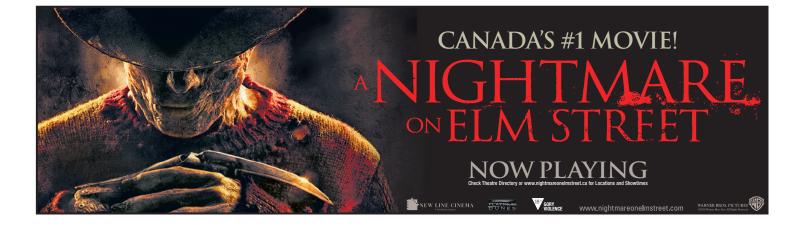
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It pays to have famous friends: Just ask Great Big Sea's Alan Doyle, who is one of Russell Crowe's Merry Men in real life, and now on the big screen in the action-filled Robin Hood. Crowe's new take on the classic story hits theatre's next week.



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Doyle up the ballads and blood

Crowe picked Canadian singer for Merry Men role

STEVE GOW for Metro Canada

Alan Doyle is admittedly one lucky dude. After all, the Newfoundland-born musician's band Great Big Sea has been a Canadian institution ever since the successful release of their 1993 self-titled debut album. But now, Doyle can call himself a movie star as well.

"I've been holding out for 40 years for the right chance," joked Doyle about his role in Robin

Movie feature

Hood alongside Russell Crowe. "I picked a good one, didn't I?"

As it turns out, Doyle was chosen for the role. Having met Crowe in Toronto while the actor was filming Cinderella Man, the duo became fast friends over their love of music. As the tale goes, while Crowe was initially reading the script for Robin Hood, he discovered one of the Merry Men was a balladeer.



Newfoundland-born musician Alan Dovle, left, stars in Robin Hood, opening next Friday,

"He's done a bunch of movies since I've known him — he's never asked me

to do one," said Doyle. "(But) I could see Russell reading the script and thinking 'hey, we need a dude who can play the lute, sing and write ballads on the spot and play Celtic instruments and his name is Allan A'Dayle...' I would've been pissed off if he hadn't thought of me to be hon-

Doyle isn't just making a passing cameo either. The Newfoundlander under-went weeks of rigorous training with weapons and horses for huge epic battle sequences as one of Hood's fighting Merry Men. Fur-ther, he was asked to compose a few songs for the movie.

"(I got) three or four

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credits in there which is a thrill," said Doyle. "(But) as the years go by, I will exag-gerate that."

Doyle won't be able to rest for long. After the film hits theatres. Great Big Sea will prepare to re-lease their next album in July and follow it up with a

But with a potential cinematic franchise looming in Robin Hood, one wonders if the singer doesn't have at least one eye on a career in movies.

"I don't know, I've been retty lucky with things my whole life," said Doyle humbly before quickly in-sisting: "I got this one by kind of not looking for it and that would be my tactic for the next one.'



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Common takes lead

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Common stars in Just Wright.

as a successful hip-hop artist — has been quietly building up his acting resume with small roles in **Smoking Aces, Wanted** and Terminator Salvation. Next weekend marks his leap into leading man status as Scott McKnight, a professional basketball player who falls a physical therapist (played by Queen Latifah) in Just Wright. He lets us know

This is a departure from the hardened characters you've played in your past films. Was it difficult switching over to a romantic lead?

why he loves being a

starter.

This is not only my first romantic, leading character — it's my first leading role, period. I thought highly of my experience. I love being

able to come in every day

A lot of times, I'm in movies and they might call me in and I might not even work that day. So it's fun to come in and be a part of this, like, equivalent to a basketball game. You know — being able to play in the game and be a starter.

You're in nearly every scene. Does seeing your face onscreen all the time rattle you?

To be honest, I'm critiquing every lit-tle part. I do that even when I only have two lines (in a film). It's fun to have my friends and family come to a movie and not

fore I come on screen

So. serious question: When you talk to Queen Latifah, do you call her Queen Latifah or iust Queen?

I call her Latifah, and I got other names for her too. (Laughs).

Oh? Like what? I'm just tripping with you. But yeah, I call her Latifah more than anything. But know, sometimes you just have to refer to her as a queen. She is a queen but

What's the most, um. common headline you've seen in articles about you that use

your name? Typically, "uncom-mon man" or something like that. Obviously, I hope you use "extraordinary.

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Kristen Stewart will be starring in the screen adaptation of Jack Kerouac's On The Road. The New Moon star has confirmed that she is "very much attached" to play troubled drifter Marylou alongside Garrett Hedland's Dean Moriarty. IMDB.COM

Movies

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Revolution of his own

Baruchel gets his Trotsky on

RICHARD CROUSE

Jay Baruchel is Captain

Despite having the kind of break-out Hollywood success most actors could only dream of - starring in the critically lauded She's Out of My League, the number one hit How to Train Your Dragon and headlining Disney's upcoming Sorcerer's Apprentice — the patriotic Canadian (he has a maple leaf tattooed over his heart) hasn't taken up digs in Los Angeles or New York. In fact, he still lives in Montreal where his latest movie was shot.

"It was genius," he says of making The Trotsky in his hometown. "If I go away to make movies it means I have to say goodbye to my mom, my cat, my friends, my bed, all "(In high school), I was incredibly impassioned and prone to crying and punching stuff and throwing fits and getting really angry so I had to channel that."

Jay Baruchel

that stuff, so to be able to go to my house every night and flip channels with my roommates and pet the cat was crazy."

In the comedy, directed

by actor-turned director Jacob Tierney, he plays the budding Bolshevik Leon Bronstein, a 17 year old who believes he is the reincarnation of revolutionary

Leon Trotsky. "When I talked to Jacob about this I told him I was



Canadian actor Jay Baruchel fights to bring "socialism" to his high school in the Montreal-based comedy The Trotsky.

scared to play a character 10 years younger than me," he says. "I was trying to leave that behind but then I The Trotsky came to the Ferconclusion. opens next Ferris Bueller's Day Off is my fa-**Friday** vorite movie of all time and I realized that Leon kind of

is Ferris in regards to the way he affects change in other people's lives and goes to war against his

principal."

Baruchel may have used Ferris Bueller as a muse but to fully round out the character he cobbled together a "bunch of subtle tiles in the mosa-

this weird guy."

First he looked back at himself. "In high school you just care about everything so much," he said. "I was incredibly im-

ic that make up

passioned and prone to crying and punching stuff and throwing fits and getting really angry so I had to channel that.

Then he added in some physical comedy. "I had this overriding idea that because he's such an odd bird there was room for some physical comedy and that's why I walk out of every scene like a cartoon charac-

More than anything, however, he says he's

thrilled to portray a side of Montreal that rarely gets seen on screen.

"If you watch English movies from the rest of Canada you'd never know that there are Anglos in Montreal," he says. "If you watch French movies from Quebec you'd never know there are Anglos in Montreal. So either way we're forgotten, but we're back! Anglo Montrealers are back everyone! We're coming at ya!

Movie morsels

Alice In Wonderland

REVIEW Tim Burton was born to adapt the surrealist fantasy Alice In Wonderland. The visually inspired

filmmaker is known for the twisted imagination bizarre needed to translate Lewis Carroll's classic universe to the screen. From a technical standpoint, his film is a triumph. The eye-

candy will captivate anyone watching with those new-fangled 3-D glasses. affection for the However, there's little going on toa stimulate audiences beyond the visual flourishes. Burton regulars Johnny Depp and Helena Bonham Carter take on the Mad Hatter and Red Queen respectively and unsurprisingly steal all or their

scenes. Phil Brown/For Metro Canada

Date Night

REVIEW I'm not entirely sure where Date Night would be without Tina Fev and Steve Carell. After all. the two television comedians-turned-big screen stars take what is an overly familiar premise and turn it into a thoroughly entertaining evening at the multiplex. The pair play Phil and Claire, a bored, married New Jersey couple who try to spice up their weekly "date night" by spontaneously going to a trendy new restaurant in Manhattan. Finding the establishment booked solid, they take another couple's reservation only to get through the risotto before two corrupt cops with ties



Iron Man 2 is currently in theatres.

to the mafia escort them into an alley and demand a mysterious flash drive. From there, the mistaken marrieds end up on the run, a situation which generates comic coments.

Ned Ehrbar/Metro World News

Hot Tub Time Machine

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REVIEW As you might have guessed from the title, Hot Tub Time Machine is a stupid comedy, but fortunately it's a self-aware stupid comedy that mines laughs out

of how ridiculous it all is. John Cusack, Rob Corddry, and Craig Robinson star as a of middle-aged group friends whose lives peaked in the '80s with a trip to a ski lodge. After a particularly bad week involving new ex-wives, infidelity, and a suicide attempt, they decide to return to the lodge (along with a young tag played by Clark Duke), only to discover a dilapidated town offering as much promise as their unfortunate lives. Fortunately, spilling an illegal energy drink on their hot

tub (don't ask) sends them back to an '80s ski comedy complete with bad hair, cheesy music, and evil jocks obsessed with Red Dawn.

Iron Man 2

Iron Man 2 opens not with a bang but with a whimper, as Mickey Rourke's Ivan Vanko — lat-er to become villain Whiplash, weeps over his dying father in a cluttered Moscow apartment. It's a big risk for an action tentpole, but one a filmmaker like Ion Favreau can make riding a wave of goodwill af-ter the franchise's critically and commercially successful first chapter two years ago. Unfortunately, Favreau and company spend the next two hours squandering all that good will. The film's primary problem is that it sidelines its main hero and villain, both Stark and Whiplash sequestered in their labs tinkering while supporting characters carry without them. But among those supporting characters left to move the story without them, there are some enjoyable nods.

Ned Ehrbar/Metro World News



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Rooney Mara plays Nancy — a teen tormented by Freddy Krueger in her dreams — in the remake of A Nightmare on Elm Street.

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Paul Gross stars as an American outlaw on Canadian soil in the western-themed comedy Gunless

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God Save Johnny Rotten Time to kill? Get lost

PAY HEALY Metro World News (#

From the Sex Pistols' first appearance on television nearly 35 years ago, Johnny Rotten has built a sturdy reputation as a difficult interview subject.

And although a question about an erstwhile bandmate in his recently reunited Public Image Itd., resulted in him telling this reporter to "f— off" about 10 minutes into the conversation, he didn't hang up the phone.

Instead, the man who was born John Lydon spent the next 20 minutes talking somewhat enthusiastically about re-forming the band he began after the implosion of the Pistols, and opining on all things from beauty products to Vampire Weekend.

After publishing a volume of his memoirs in the mid '90s that dealt with his time in the Pistols, the singer promised he was working on addressing the Public Image years, but right now the guy who once snarled about "no future" sounds like he's actually looking forward to a happy one.

"I've had to put it on the back burner because of this work," he says of the book. "I'm in no mad dog rush to finish because PiL is by far, far and away, an uncompleted project." He says

putting together a concise setlist has been one of the biggest challenges.

"I came out of the starting gates firing on all cylinders, and I never looked back, so my songwriting proficiency has never been really lacking." John Lydon

"Seriously, we're really having problems trying to cut the set down to just two hours, because there's so much there," he says.
"But as we progress here, listening to me, because

"It's a shame no one was listening to me, because we could have saved a hell of a lot of children a hell of a lot of grief," he says. "When I wrote Religion, the Catholic Church was just so on me, and generally society — you know, 'How could I be so loathsome as to think such a

thing?' Well, now we know the truth. But then again, I was in the same position with a song like Anarchy or God Save the Queen. I don't want to be in that position of turmoil, but as a songwriter, I feel I have to be honest and I have to approach the situation that's bothering me. I tend to get bothered a

than most people. I came out of the starting gates firing on all cylinders, and I never looked back, so my song-

hell of a lot

earlier.

Hope in a jar

 With so many of his punk rock colleagues passing away, most recently the Pistols' manager Malcolm McLaren, we asked Lydon his secret to living so long. "I view myself as only 50 years young with a few years of short change," he says. "All's I can think is that my un-corrupt way of life is proof of something. I'm relatively wrinkle-free, and the only beauty products I've ever really gotten here is Hope in a Jar. That's quite literally the name of it." We then ask him how he does his hair, surely that must be a beauty product? ""Oh, you think that makes me look beautiful? You can be my friend for life. I've always spiked my hair, from an early age, because that's what I've liked best, and it's quite hilarious to me that there's been just so many people following my hairdos.

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Though he says he doesn't listen to any new music while he's creating his own, the singer did take in a band he had never heard before while PiL played Coachella last month. Legend has it that he kicked Glen Matlock out of the Sex Pistols for liking Paul McCartney, so did Johnny Rotten like Vampire Weekend?

"Yes, I did," he says. "I mean, not musically, but I really liked the ideas. I'd never heard anything quite so strange and silly, so I utterly, completely applaud them. They have a concept going there that is uniquely theirs. Brave lads, really. They believe in what they're doing, I hope.

what they're doing, I hope. ... I warmed to them as their set went on, and a wry smile appeared upon my face. I feel quite affectionate about them."

on these music sites



ARNING:
You'll probably end up tearing out this page and taking it to work.

Don't blame me if your productivity falls to zero. People often ask me which music websites I visit the most. Herewith is a list I simply cannot do without.

AntiMusic: The website is a little kludgy and I hate the "pop-under" ads that come with it, so I subscribe to the free daily email newsletter — delivered before noon ET each day — which is extremely well done (anitmusic.com).

Chartattack: Canada's Chart magazine lives online with an excellent news section that often digs remarkably deep. Especially helpful when it comes to Canadian music news

(chartattack.com/new).

Crazed Hits: Billed as "the music industry's leading A&R site," it's used by labels, talent scouts, managers and bleeding edge hipsters to find out who's new, who's hot and who's been signed

(crazedhits.com).

The Daily Swarm: An aggregator of music news from newspapers, magazines, websites and blogs. There are other sites that do this, but few have the reach and variety. Just beware that some links may be NSFW (thedai-

lyswarm.com).

Global Music: Another news aggregator but with an emphasis on gathering music news from around the planet. They offer a daily newsletter, too (globalmusic.net). Heard on TV: Liked that

Heard on IV: Liked that song played at the end of Grey's Anatomy last night but frustrated by not knowing who did it? Go here heardontv.com. Good alternates: TV Show Music (tvshowmusic.com) and Tune Find (tunefind.com)

Hypebot: An excellent site for news and analysis regarding music, technology and new media from around the world. Perfect for the seriously geeky music fan who wants really get into what's going on from the business side (hypebot.com/hypebot).

Music Ally: Yeah, the name is a pun, but the content is very deep and insightful, even though it tends to focus on issues within the U.K. and European music industry (musically.com/blog).

PunkNews.org: Heavy on the punk rock scene which they cover better than almost anyone else —but they also cover other genres (punknews.org).

Finally, there's **AllTop**, an aggregator of headlines from dozens and dozens of music sites (http://music.alltop.com).

Nice to see that the site I spend all my time curating, **ExploreMusic** (exploremusic.com), is right at the top. If you'd like to see more of my favourite sites, I have an expanded list today at ExploreMusic com.

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1. B.o.B Presents: The Adventures of Bobby Ray, B.o.B; 2. Need You Now, Lady Antebellum; 3. Fever, Bullet For My Valentine; 4. My World 2.0, Justin Bieber; 5. Iron Man 2 Soundtrack, AC/DC. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Music

The power pop revival

New Pornographers come Together for new album

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI for Metro Canada

"There are no more interesting rock and roll bands," writes American novelist Rick Moody in The New Pornographers artist bio. "(The New Pornographers) are also unable, it seems, to resist the challenge to make a perfect album, a form so dead."

If there's any controversial comment to make in a bio, it's probably to say there's nothing good happening in pop music anymore. Carl Newman, The New Pornographers' singer, clarifies the author's statement. "He didn't mean it in an insulting way," says ex-

Vancouverite and now New York-based artist. "He was saying it's a noble gesture, trying to work in a format so many people think is dead."

It's true, Pornographers-like power pop — which draws from the Beach Boys, The Kinks and Big Star, among other punchy, harmony-laden rock bands — isn't the rage these days, but it's far from obsolete. Newman knows that, but he says classic pop has gone underground. "If Pet Sounds came out today it would be this weird alternative record," he says.

If anything The New Pornographers' music has kept the genre top of mind for many music fans. The



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band isn't pushing power pop into the mainstream — "I've had an underground career," he says — but with thousands of records sold worldwide, and veteran acts like Animal Collective and new bands such as Library Voices playing more pop-focused music they've had an influence.

The band actually took a step back from their polished distorted tunes on their last disc, Challengers, in favour of softer, melodic sounds. Their new record, Together, combines that subdued band — which also features Neko Case and Destroyer's Dan Bejar — with their louder selves.

"It exemplifies my contrary nature," says Newman, explaining how a song like Crash Years, a bubbly Case track winds up on the same album as the quiet, lo-fi piano song Valkyrie in the Roller Disco.

Newman admits that the disc is a bit of history lesson into the New Pornographers music. "It does take a lot of different things we've done," he says, adding that the only difference between how he wrote this disc and the previous ones was that Together was based around riffs he had in his mind. "More than the

other albums, this was built

around some kind of guitar

or cello line that runs

through a verse."

The band will tour behind Together for a while, but once that's over, in the past, Newman has released solo albums. He says it's unlikely he'll write another AC Newman disc for a while. "I want to do something different. Something that doesn't sound anything like my solo stuff or the New Pornographers," he says. "Or maybe I'm just talking out of my ass."

Culture, romance flavour new album from Gogol Bordello

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI for Metro Canada

Gogol Bordello's music covers a lot of ground, but, until recently, Brazilian sounds weren't part of their act. That changed though when Eugene Hütz, singer of the New York-based klezmer punk band moved to Rio de Janeiro. "I followed a girl," he says sheepishly, explaining why he moved to South America.

With more than six million people in Rio, the city is a far cry from Boyarka, Ukraine, where he was born, but somehow the mustachioed singer and

actor fit right in. "I've always had friends there," he says in a thick Ukrainian accent. "And they think I'm an Argentinean hippie, so I'm not much of a target."

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"My good friend Manu Chao" — another crosscultural musician who's hugely popular in Latin America — "and I travelled around Brazil and met all these musicians I used to listen to," he reveals. "I'd perform with



Producer Rick Rubin suggested Gogol Bordello take a more sensitive approach to gypsy punk on Trans-Continental Hustle.

them spontaneously and it turned out they we just as aware of Gogol Bordello as I was of their music. "Suddenly I was at Carnival making mash-ups and guest appearances and it led me to the idea of

recording this Brazilian album"

While the record definitely has some Brazilian moments — Sun is on My Side borrows its acoustic finger picking from legendary guitarist Joao Gilberto — it's a stretch to call this a Brazilian album. The disc mostly follows the same trajectory as their previous records — loud, klezmer punk tunes led by Hütz's frantic deliver and humerous lyrics.

lyrics.
While it's not as strong as 2007's Super Taranta! it's still a lot of fun; opener Pala Tute's infectious gypsy dance beat and the singer's grizzled pipes

singing "girls they like the kissing as much as we do," is hard not to enjoy.

In the past Hütz has sang about the immigrant experience — coming from another country to North America and some of the challenges that followed — but this album tackles a more traditional musical theme: love. Besides being in love with the girl he chased to Brazil, Rick Rubin, the album's producer, wanted the band to focus more on their sensitive side.

"He asked us why we were neglecting our love songs," says Hütz. "He said they were actually some of our strongest material."





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Trump university faces legal action

Officials at Donald Trump's online business program Trump University are facing legal action from a former student, amid accusations the school's courses are bogus. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK



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Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

George Re-cut POP CULTURE Julia Louis-Dreyfus may have gotten a star on Hollywood's Walk of Fame — typo and all — but it's Jason Alexander's character, George Costanza, who is getting the attention these days thanks to this You Tube hit. The trailer re-arranges the neurotic Seinfeld character's scenes into a dramatic movie trailer. youtube.com/watch?v=_C

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the smell of BBQ-ina is

again wafting its way through Canadian neighbourhoods

making it the perfect

time to pick up this col-

lection from the editors

of Southern Living. Not

recipes, but also a list of

the best 'Q locations in

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Machete MOVIES In time for Cinco De Mayo, filmmaker Robert Rodriguez extended his fake trailer which appeared as part of his 2007 Grindhouse collaboration with Quentin Tarantino. The trailer stars an impressive list, including Cheech Marin, Con Johnson, Jessica Alba, Steven Segal and Robert De Niro. youtube.com/watch?v=MKhChMHhBN8

Other People's **Rejection Letters** OOK Those with a voyeuristic bent will love this look at the letters people have received ending their relationships, having job offers turned down, and even killing their careers.



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Mother's Day Magic The Zoo Becomes

When: Sunday May 9, noon to 4 p.m.

Where: Edmonton Valley Zoo

Treat mom to a day of relaxation and fun the whole family will enjoy. Kids

can watch some of the animals receive spa treatments of their own, while mom is getting pampered.

Canstruction Edmonton When: All weekend

Where: Southgate Centre

Come watch as nine teams participate in building works of art out of cans of food. Admission is a can of food for the food bank, or cash donations.

Stars on Ice

When: Saturday, 7:3 0 p.m. Where: Rexall Place

Watch famed skating singles and duos perform for fans at Rexall place. Some of the all-star cast includes Kurt Browning, Tessa Virtue and Scott Moir and Jeffrev Buttle.

KO Presents Professional Boxing When: Friday, 7 p.m.

Where: Shaw Conference Hall

Reload or Retreat features another match between Kris Andrews and Anthony Lessard. Tickets for this event can be purchased online.

Our Lady Peace

When: Friday, 8 p.m. Where: Edmonton Events

Check out Our Lady Peace performing at West Edmonton Mall's Edmonton Events Centre and will feature songs from their newest album Burn, Burn, Burn. The Canadian rockers have won 3 Juno awards.

As You Like It

When: All weekend Where: Citadel Theatre

A young noblewoman is banished from her home by her father in this performance of Shakespeare's play As You Like It directed by James MacDonald. A pre-show discussion will be held on Saturday.

Brown reports update to courts

Chris Brown's lawyer says the R&B singer has com-pleted nearly 300 hours of community service since being sentenced for beating Rihanna.

Brown appeared in a Los Angeles courtroom Thursday morning to offer a judge an update on his community service and domestic violence counselling. Lawyer Mark Geragos says Brown is expected to complete his counselling in October.

He's completed roughly 20 per cent of the community labour work he's required to perform.

Brown was sentenced last year to five years of

probation and six months of community labour for the February 2009 attack on his ex-girlfriend.

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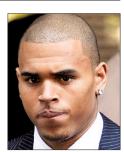
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cedures.

The 21-year-old singer is due back in court on Aug. 26 for another update, and a judge has requested a formal probation report on his progress.

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Singer Chris Brown.

Entertainment in brief

LEGAL A federal appeals court panel has rejected a bid by the late Anna Nicole Smith's lawyers to reconsider its ruling that gave her none of the fortune from her late billionaire husband, A 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals three-judge panel ruled Wednesday it would not rehear the case. It also denied a request for a hearing before all members of the San Francisco-based court.

The appellate court ruled in March that a Houston jury was correct when it said J. Howard Marshall was mentally fit and under no undue pressure when he wrote a will leaving nearly all of his \$1.6 billion estate to his son, E. Pierce Marshall. Lawyers for Smith's estate have said they would appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PEOPLE Chaz Bono is officially a man and has his new name.

A judge on Thursday granted a request to change the name and gender of the 41year-old writer, activist and reality TV star. Chaz Bono was born a girl to Sonny Bono and Cher and was originally named Chastity. She underwent a gender-change operation last year to become

Bono was represented in court by lawyer Kristina Wertz of the Transgender Law Center. Wertz says the judge's order is an important step in Chaz Bono's transition and will allow him to reflect his new identity on a variety of official documents.

Wertz says in a statement, "Chaz couldn't be happier."

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James Gandolfini may find himself at the wheel of his first TV series since The Sopranos. HBO says Gandolfini is an executive producer of Taxi 22, which is described as a half-hour comedy centring on a politically incorrect New York City cab driver. METRO NEWS SERVICES

A to Z of what's wrong with Lost

Lost fans know how the Man in Black feels. Just as this Lost character has interminably been imprisoned on the Island, they have been trapped on Tuesday nights.

Most were excited at the beginning of the season — juiced by the high of a stellar fifth season. But beyond a few high points this year, the series seems to reach new lows as it trudges toward what has to be an unbelievably amazing finale to justify the drawn-out tease this season has been.

Just what has gone wrong this season? Here's an A-to-Z guide to Lost's troubles this year.

is for Aphasia: Making Sun lose the ability to speak English after she ran into a tree is likely one of the lowest plot developments in this or any other season. What was the point? The only result was the two lines that best illustrate how off the writing has been. Right after it happens, Miles says: "She hits her head and forgets English? We're supposed to buy that?"

Galactica: With four episodes left, Lost has a chance to pull its fat from the fire. But it looks like it's following BSG's final trajectory where, in moving from ambiguity to clarity, it collapsed under the weight of its mythology. The result was a terrible finale with what felt like a tacked-on happy ending and a literal hand-of-God moment that effectively devalued the show's best theme.

is for Continuity: This season has felt like it's moved slowly and, really, it's as if the creators are just filling plot holes in the leaky narrative. Unfortunately, most of the answers have been unsatisfying.

is for Desmond's death: Did anybody think that Sayid ac-









Can the last few episodes of Lost save what many believe is a disappointing final season? Former fan favourites Ben Linus (bottom left) and John Locke (bottom right) have become shadows of themselves. And Jacob (centre) did not live up to the hype.

tually shot the man in the well? Desmond asks Sayid one question, and the vacant-eyed assassin immediately has a change of heart?

is for Endings: Admittedly, endings are hard. Lost will be lauded in television history for committing to a finale three years before the actual ending, which would make you assume that this year has been planned out well in advance. But really, this year's odd, slow pace feels like helium leaking out of a balloon as opposed to a big bang.

is for Faith vs. Free will: These are some of the show's enduring themes. We all get that Jack is now the man with faith in the Island. But why? What did Locke's faith get him? Does anyone buy Jack's conversion?

is for Guns: Would somebody please shoot somebody? "A wise man once said war was coming to this Island." Really? Where is it?

is for Hydra Island: It seems that's where the action is going to be.

is for Ilana getting blown up real good: Yes, we know it referenced Arzt's death. With Ilana, what a waste of a character. Her sudden death is a sign of how quickly the writers are running out of ideas.

is for Jacob: Introducing him was supposed to move us on to another plane of reality that explains things. Of course, as a leader, his instructions are about as effective as Dumbledore's in the Harry Potter books

is for Kissing Kims: The Sun-Jin lip lock was a long time coming, and decent enough, but didn't it feel like it was dragged out? And their reunion was so short-lived.

is for Locke and Linus (as in Ben): Both are shadows of their former selves. Locke, literally, but Ben is almost the more regrettable, as he's gone from being a hated, but extremely interesting, character to pretty much a useless wimp.

is for Man of Science, as in whatever happened to?: Who needs science, when you've got, well, whatever you've got. Another theme casually tossed aside.

is for the Numbers: This is a perfect example of the unsatisfying answers. So the numbers represent the candidates on the Lighthouse dial. Okay. That's it?

is for Others: For a bunch of folks who lived on the Island for years, they got made short work of.

is for Parallel Reality: For much of this season, the looks at the sideways L.A. reality have been boring. It took too long for Desmond to start making the connections between the two.

is for Quantum Theory: Lost gets points for teaching folks the basics of the many worlds theory of quantum mechanics, but this all feels like a rip-off of DC Comics' Crisis on Infinite Worlds.

is for Religion: As the Jacob-Man in Black morality play finishes up, it's clear God plays dice with the cosmos.

An extra half hour

• Lost has found an added half-hour to expand its big series conclusion. ABC says the May 23rd finale originally scheduled for two hours is now set to air from 9 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Eastern. Preceding the finale will be a retrospective special, Lost: The Final Journey, airing from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Eastern. It will look back at the past six seasons of this mystical thriller.

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is for Sayid: As a personal favourite, his descent into zombie-like sullenness has been particularly disappointing.

is for Time Invested. This is the argument that many folks who aren't enjoying this season when saying they'll stick it out.

is for Unanswered Questions: Be ready to have some of your queries left completely untouched.

is for V: Even with all of the complaints, losing Lost and having to settle for ABC's other Tuesday night genre show is a definite downgrade.

is for Widmore: Hey Charles! When are you actually going to do something soon?

is for Xbox Live: Why? Well because it gives us the opportunity to say that the Lost: Via Domus videogame released in 2008 totally sucked, too.

is for You All Everybody: I actually like what I've heard of Driveshaft's song.

is for Zoë: Introducing new characters this season is idiotic. Widmore's right-hand girl might be interesting but at this stage of the game, it's far too late to make me care.

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Carrie's youth exposed

The Carrie Diaries reveals early trials of SATC character

HEATHER BUCHAN

Sex and the City 2 isn't hitting theatres until the end of the month, but for Car-

rie Bradshaw fans, the re-

lease of The Carrie Diaries

- author Candace Bushnell's teen prequel to her original 1997 novel Sex and the City — should serve as a good fix.

It's Carrie's coming-of-age story and takes readers back to 1979 and her life as a high school senior in small-town Connecti-

cut.
"I tried to capture the emotional realities of being 17," says Bushnell, 51, over the phone from New York, where she is kicking off a whirlwind book North America tour to launch this, her sixth novel. "I had an especially great time writing The Carrie Diaries because I love the character Carrie."

Not only does Diaries focus on Carrie's first love, but it also touches on her evolving sense of fashion and her dreams of one day becoming a writer.

Like her character Carrie, Bushnell grew up dreaming of being a writer and living in Manhattan. "It was something that I dreamed of doing since I was a little kid," she says. "And, like Carrie, when I was in high school, I knew what I wanted to do, but I had no idea how to get

Similarly to Carrie, Bushnell moved to the Big Apple at 18, and became a columnist while struggling to pay the bills. As her 20s rolled into her 30s, Bushnell also became (like Carrie) a bona fide New York celebrity, dating a bevy of wealthy bachelors (including publishing giant Ronald A. Galotti who is rumoured to be the inspiration for Mr. Big).



The Carrie Diaries

Aside from her careerdefining Sex and the City, Bushnell has penned sevother smash-hit. chick-lit novels, including Four Blondes (2001), Trading Up (2003), Lipstick Jungle (2005), which was also adapted into a TV series, and One Fifth Avenue (2008).

In 2002, at the age of 43, Bushnell settled down, marrying Charles Askegard, a dancer with

the New York City Ballet, to whom she remains happily married.

So what has the women behind Carrie Bradshaw learned about love? "It's what you bring and it's your attitude," she says. You always hear people say, 'Oh, I have to find my other half,' but you kind of have to be a whole to begin with."

Unlike Carrie, however, Bushnell reveals her biggest splurge wasn't on shoes, clothes or jewelry. "Ohhhhhh, it was real estate. That's all I'm going to say," she says. Bushnell is

already working on a follow up to Diaries. "It's (Carrie's) first summer in New York and gosh, I think anybody's first summer in the big city is full of adventure, she says of her next novel. "There's still so many more books I want to write and I feel like, hey, I'm not dead yet!"



Author Candace Bushnell says she had a great time writing The Carrie Diaries because she loves the Carrie character so much.

Jsher is all grown up, but still likes to have fun

Usher's newly released sixth album Raymond v. Raymond entered the U.S. charts at No. 1. It was the R&B megastar's third chart topping album in about as many years.

He spoke to Metro on success, fatherhood, and of course the ladies

okay?

You look so sad on the cover of the album — are you

It's an act! And it's working quite well since people are intrigued! I'm in good shape, everything is just fine.

Is it difficult to come back after two vears on a R&B scene full artists inspired by you?



Not really. I have nothing to prove as I already have an honored place. Some of the new faces ask me for advice and this is very flattering. If I can be of any help, I do it with pleasure.



The first time I heard him I was blown away and when I learned he was only 16 I was staggered. He's very talented, ambitious and afraid of nothing. I helped him of course but I know for sure he would have managed to make a name anyhow.

You went through a highly public divorce but you don't talk about it in your songs - why

learn from my mistakes, and if a person doesn't want his private life to be written in every single magazine, he sure shouldn't talk about it in his

> Did becoming a father change things?

To a certain extent, yes. Being a father influences vour entire life. I grew up. I'm a man, a father. I'm not the young guy obsessed with the way he looks like I was when I started.

This is the second album since the birth of my son and I think I became more and more demanding. I want him to know how deeply he changed my life.

But you still go to night clubs, smoke cigars and dance

with the ladies — you didn't change that much, did you?!

It is true I still love good things, but I work my art differently today. I'm more focused on my voice which always was my trump card. Anyway, I'm a good dancer, it's quite normal to show that to my public.

You released some tracks on the Internet before the album came out — why?

The music industry has changed a lot since I started. Today, you can listen any album for free online or even download them illegally. Only real enthusiasts still continue to buy albums, because they know

that the sound is better, that you will have pictures or art and that you can support your favourite artist this way.

You cried a lot during Michael Jackson's funeral — how did it affect you?

The day of his death was the worst day of my life. I've had to go through hard stuff before but nothing hurt me more than learning he was dead. I thought I would die. I always felt connected to him. It is still difficult to talk about it. The world lost one of its greatest genius of all time

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Oprah gave her studio audience a secret screening of The Twilight Saga: Eclipse during a taping of a Twilight special Wednesday featuring Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson, Taylor Lautner and Dakota Fanning. POPEATER.COM

Television

Don't speed while Living In Your Car

As a director on Curb Your Enthusiasm, David Steinberg helped nail the fictional Larry David's bullheaded sense of entitlement.

Now, the Winnipeg-born TV veteran is applying his comedy touch to the selfserving struggles of anothfallen CEO Steve Unger — in the HBO Canada series, Living In Your Car.

"I guess rich and obnoxious is going to be my signature as a director," a jovial Steinberg admits in a phone interview from his home in Los Angeles.

way, certainly, and (Steve) is that way as well. Larry is much more outrageous in Curb than (Steve) is, but not really. It's just that the tone is different."

The half-hour satire. which Steinberg also co-executive produces, stars John Ralston as a high-flying executive who loses everything when he's caught cooking the books. Steve cuts a deal to get out of prison early, but finds that his wife and 15-yearold daughter (played by Ingrid Kavelaars and Mariah Horner) have kicked him

none of his former colleagues want anything to do with him. Homeless and desperate to regain all that he's lost, Steve clings to the last vestige of his former self — his cherished luxury sedan.

The series was written

Living In

by playwright George F. Walker, Dani Romain and Joseph Kay back in the days of Enron.

Your Car premieres Friday on "And then of HBO Canada course there was all this new stuff," says

Walker, referring to the subsequent fall of corrupt investment advisor Bernie Madoff. "Which means it could be about anyone. But the thing that they all had in common, the guy we had in mind, was that they were charming. They believed what they were doing was good, they believed in trickledown economics. Anything that was good for them was good for everyone and that this was just a little blip on their recovery road to success and even greater success. That belief in themselves, and that kind of childlike inno-cence mixed with a kind of almost devil-may-care foolishness is sort of what we came up with."

Walker, whose previous

acclaimed series include HBO Canada's The Line and CBC-TV's This is Wonderland, says Steve's earnest optimism is what makes the disgraced exec worth cheering for, and laughing at, despite his many faults.

Twilight surprise

Ralston says the show's quick pace helps to height-

en the comedy as well. He notes that rapid-fire logue zips between characters who clip others each words, finish each other's thoughts.

"The stakes are so high so the delivery is fairly quick," says Ralston, who just finished a TV movie of his other series, the Family Channel show Life With Derek. "This is a really jam-packed show. (It's) one of the wonderful thing about cable these days and this whole idea of that half-hour format, which is a true 30-minute half hour. I think we're just about three or so scenes short of a one-hour network show."

"Our scripts are like 40 some-odd pages. That's long, that's many more pages (than usual), but when we started doing this people would go, 'Oh, that's so long.' We'd actually go, 'That's old TV. This stuff moves.'

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Mom's documentary

FILM Award-winning documentarian Maureen Judge's new work, Mom's Home, will be shown on the Knowledge Network on Tuesday. Mom's Home is the final installment in her vérité documentary trilogy, exploring themes of love, betrayal and acceptance in parent and adult child relationships.

Mom's Home is a funny, compassionate and ten-

sion fraught one-hour documentary about aging mothers who move in with their grown daughters. It follows three pairs of mothers and daughters, who, despite their life experience, are still wrestling with their constill flicting emotions, difficulties and sometimes ill-fated commitment to do what's best.

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In **brief**

CHESNEY Country music singer Kenny Chesney is one of thousands in Nashville sifting through waterlogged memories after floodwaters consumed his home this week. His publicist, Holly Gleason, says it's likely his house will be condemned after water rose past the first floor. He lost items from when he was in high school .

JACKSON The outlook for the sale of a one-of-a-kind Michael Jackson portrait isn't thrilling. The eBay.com auction of a fantastical portrait the King of Pop posed for before his death ended with no bids, according to the auction's organizer.

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White set for SNL gig

The night before Mother's Day is going to be the mother of all Saturday **Nights: TV icon Betty White** will be the guest host of Saturday Night Live, with musical quest Jav-Z and a cast reunion of former female SNL stars Tina Fey, Amy Poehler, Maya Rudolph, Molly Shannon and Rachel Dratch.

Does that mean that, Jay-Z aside, we're going to see SNL's first all-female ensem-

"I certainly hope not," White said in a phone interview. "I'll have to go around



Betty White

hitting on every member of the crew.

A typically bawdy comment from the suddenly hot again 88-year-old veter-an of Password, Mary Tyler Moore and Golden Girls, whose appearance on SNL was largely motivated by an avid Facebook and Twitter campaign.

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Even then she was reluctant, though was eventually persuaded by her agent. "They're just so New York, and I'm so L.A.," she frets. 'Honestly, I'm scared to

"I haven't a clue what I'm going to be doing. But I have been promised I won't have to do any nudity."

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Van Sant and Milk win visionary award

Organizers of the Stockholm film festival say director Gus Van Sant has been named the winner of this year's visionary award, hailing him as one of modern cinema's greatest American filmmakers. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Cavallari rues loneliness of fame

Former Laguna Beach star talks on her new role on The Hills

Those familiar with reality star Kristin Cavallari know that she's brutally honest and doesn't sugarcoat her feelings. That's probably contributed to an unflattering label she's had since starring on MTV's Laguna Beach.

MTV even played off Cavallari's reputation as being mean when she joined The Hills, after Lauren Conrad left the show. Cavallari became a celebrity in 2004 when MTV tracked her high school love life and rivalry with Conrad on Laguna Beach.

23, talked ng honest, Cavallari, about being honest, tabloid stories about drug use and proving herself as an actress in a recent interview with The Associated Press.

You became famous on MTV's Laguna Beach when you were in high school and quickly became an It Girl. . What have you learned about fame?

It can be kind of lonely sometimes.

Did you talk to Lauren Conrad before replacing her on The Hills? Cavallari's first scene

was showing up at the wedding of the series' duo, Heidi Montag and Spencer Pratt.

No. I wasn't allowed to tell anyone I was coming to the wedding.

And then you walked into the church by vourself and everyone looked surprised. Was that

I was so nervous walking into the church! I didn't know how everyone was gonna react. It ended up being OK. Even though you didn't see it on camera, Lauren and walked out of the **Canadian diamond**

church arm and arm. Things were heart pendant OK. (Laughs.) What did

you think about MTV's ads when you joined The Hills? Are you OK

with your reputation? I'm definitely very honest. I go after what I want MTV actually asked me ... MIV actually asked me if they could do "the bitch is back" slogan and I said, "Of course." I mean I think it's funny, you know, it's a TV show and I want to

have fun with it. And it's

fun to play it up for the

The new episodes of The Hills address a tabloid report that you were using drugs, which you've

is, it's one thing if it's just on the show, you know, fine, I understand needs dra-ma and that's what

> when it's in tabloids and it's starting to affect my personal life, it's not cool. And it was a very difficult thing for me to deal with. But at the same time, I feel like it was so stupid, and there really wasn't a story there, that it just died down. ...

difficult. The thing

it's about. But

show

just a stupid rumour. So, I'm not too worried about

When you're auditioning for acting roles, do

you feel you have more to prove because you come from a reality TV

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background? I definitely

Kristin Cavallari.

feel like I have to prove myself 10 times more. Everyone assumes because I'm on a reality show I can't act. Which is fine. It's just another battle I have to

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Vacademy honours CSI, Private Practice and Glee

The Academy of Television Arts & Sciences, the group behind the annual Emmy awards, paid tribute to what it called "television with a conscience" at its third-annual Television **Academy Honors.**

"I sort of call it, 'The night where we see that television chooses its pow-er to do good vs. evil," said event host Dana Dalany

(Desperate Housewives). "We've seen a lot of crap on TV and this (event honours) shows that really enlighten the world," she continued.

Among honorees at the Wednesday night ceremony: Individual episodes of CSI: Crime Scene Investigation, Private Practice and Glee, Former U.S. vice-president Al Gore accepted a

statuette for his Current TV network's Vanguard series, which documented effects of prescription-drug

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"The fact that this award has been established by the Academy speaks so well of the Academy," said Gore. "It really means so much to be here.

Gore also acknowledge both the journalistic and

political work of California first lady Maria Shriver, who served as executive honoured documentary "Grandpa, Do you Know Who I Am? with Maria Shriver," which follow producer of the Academygrandchildren forced to cope with a grandparent's Alzheimer's

Shriver's father, R. "Sargent" Shriver, has long battled the disease. "I'm honoured that I had that opportunity (to make the film)," said Shriver. "I originally did it out of selfish reasons, because I wanted to understand what was happening to my own fa-

Actress Holly Robinson Peete presented to Monica Lange, the producer-director of the documentary Unlocking Autism. Robinson Peete's son Rodney Jr. is autistic. "You know, autism has been a journey for our family, and it was a big decision to talk about our son's journey publicly," Robinson Peete said. "What I like about Unlocking Autism is that it sort of has a respectful way, from a scientific point of view, of talking to parents." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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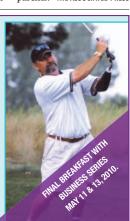
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Gossip Girl will go off to college

Show's co-creator talks about decision to take show forward

Based on the popular young adult books by Cecily von Ziegesar, Gossip Girl, has become a launching pad for young designers as much as it has for young

With the third season finale approaching on May 17, co-creator Stephanie Savage sat down with Metro to talk about the challenges of taking characters to college and dealing with the pesky pa-parazzi while filming in New York City.

How has it been taking the Gossip Girl characters into their college years? That's famously where a lot of teen series

I think the chal-lenge of taking show the from high school to college was



Stephanie Savage

address from the very beginning of the show because Josh Schwartz and I had already gone through it on the O.C. and knew



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So from the beginning on Gossip Girl, we tried to make the franchise of the show much more New York City and much less high school.

We actually pride our-selves on the fact they we never had a classroom set.

So the challenge that we really had is more in terms of getting the characters to be able to stay in the same world and be connected with each other without that device of the high school that they all attend, and we're still kind of working out the kinks.



Does the media attention affect how vou write the show?

If we have, like, a certain two people kissing, we will absolutely think about making sure that that scene happens on set and not on

location because don't want it reported in the media But that's hard too, because maybe you do want people kissing in Central Park with a beautiful backdrop and not in Blair's bedroom, but you make that choice.

You seem to have had no trouble getting big fashion designers to let you use their

We have a great relationship with designers, where they love to have their clothes on our show, which is such a blessing for us, and we love to have them. We have designers who are fans enough that they want to play themselves on the show. So it's great when Eleanor Waldorf is having a fashion show and Michael Kors will show up. NED EHRBAR/METRO WORLD NEWS





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Noel Gallagher plans to call his baby Carlos, paying tribute to his sporting hero, Manchester City soccer player Carlos Tevez, when he becomes a father for the third time in September, femalefirst.co.uk reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

The edgy actress gets edgy in front of crowds

UM. YEAH. WOULDN'T YOU TOO? She's the heroine of the blockbuster Twilight franchise — and gets to make out with Robert Pattinson - but Kristen Stewart doesn't always put on a happy face at red carpet events and other appearances, usmagazine.com re-

"People say I'm miserable all the time." Stewart. 20, says in the June issue of Elle magazine.

She explains, "It's not that I'm miserable. It's just that somebody's yelling at me ... I literally, sometimes, have to keep myself from crying," on the red carpet.

"Ît's a physical reaction to the energy that's thrown at you."

Then there's her de-meanor on late night talk shows or awards fest.

"It's funny that when I go onstage to accept an award, they think I'm nervous, uncomfortable, and awkward," Stewart quips, "and I am — but

those are bad words for them."

The edgy star also resents losing her privacy to worldwide fame.

"Somebody knocked on my hotel room door and asked for a light, then said that they were a big fan. I was like, 'Do you really need me to light your cigarette? How do you know what room I'm in?' I can't be by myself and I like being by myself."

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He's still missing Reese's pieces

ONCE YOU HAVE A TASTE IT'S HARD TO PUT THE BAG DOWN Though they broke up and she's ago moved on to a new boyfriend, Jake Gyllenhaal is reportedly still hung up on Reese Witherspoon, according to Popeater.

'Reese was without any doubt the love of Jake's life. He took the breakup hard and



source says "As much as he would love to have remained friends and see her and her children, it was just too painful. They have little contact with each other,









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His brain was bleeding

LET'S JUST HOPE IT'S NOT TOO **MUCH ACTION** Bret Michaels may have just spent 10 days in the ICU, but the rock star isn't complaining. Instead, he says he's feeling "lucky to be alive," people.com reports.

In the new issue of People magazine, Michaels, 47, who suffered a subarachnoid hemorrhage

(bleeding at the base of his brain stem) on April 21, speaks for the first time about his ordeal, including a dramatic moment when

> In the emer-gency room, the rocker -Raine, 9, and Jorja, 5 - recalls

he first arrived at the hospital.

– dad to being asked by a doctor if he had kids, and the

telling him to have them brought to the hospital.

"And I said in these exact words, 'Am I dying? If I'm dying, I want to see my kids, but if I have a chance, I don't want them to see me in this condition '

Michaels is currently at a rehabilitation facility for physical therapy, and is expected to make a full recovery — something his doctor says only occurs in 10 to 20 per cent of all cas-

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It's not all light and air

THERE'S ENVY AND EGO IN THERE, TOO Sources say the breakup between Halle Berry and Gabriel Aubry was anything but amica-

ble, despite what the former couple says publicly, according to Us Weekly.

And top of that, Berry reportedly

harangued Aubry about his career for months before

they split. "Halle called him a los-

er," a source says. "She'd rub it in his face that she's an Oscar-winning actress and he's just a model. He couldn't take it anymore.

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Yes, ladies and gentlemen, it's back on

BUT NOT THAT ON Coy as ever, Jude Law may have dropped a hint to Access Hollywood that he's ready to propose to Sienna Miller

again. When asked if they were engaged, Law said, "Not at said, "Not the moment. Not at the

moment

That's all

off their initial engagement in 2006 after Law was caught cheating on Miller with his children's

nanny. "I'm very happy. I'm very happy to be hap-Law said of the couple's reconciliation.

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Celeb**Tweets DEMI LOVATO** is too

tired to drive, NEIL **PATRICK HARRIS** is getting tipsy, JIMMY KIMMEL overestimates his own popularity, and **DIABLO** CODY is confused by candy. @ddlovato Today hasn't started off so great ... I was so sleepy this morning I got in my first little accident in my car. :(blahhh **@**ActuallyNPH I dare say my favorite alcoholic beverage is cold sake. Leaves me happy, buoyant, a little giggly. Drinking it now. Close second: Tequila. @jimmykimmel "Twitter is over capacity. Too many

tweets!..." I can't believe it -I actually choked twitter to death. I murdered twit

@diablocody I iust ate a Ritter Sport. I'm an

athlete! METRO NEWS SERVICES

Tick tock goes Jessica's baby clock

TIME TO SPROG UP AGAIN Tessica Alba wants to be a mother again and thinks she "should do it soon," femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actress has one 23-month daughter Honor Marie, with her husband Cash

Warren. but broody and wants them to expand their family — ei-ther by getting pregnant or adopt-

ing.
When asked if was

thinking of having more children, Jessica told Tatler magazine: "Of course! And I feel like I should do it soon ... You bring these kids into the world, so you might as well participate.

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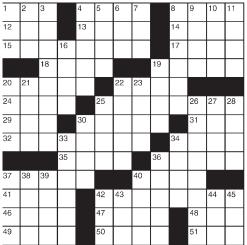






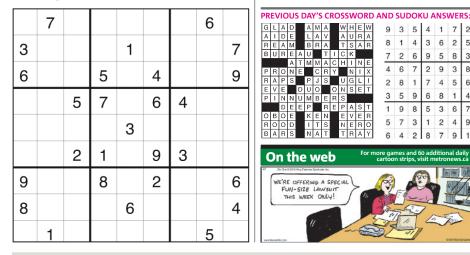


Take Five



Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone - one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



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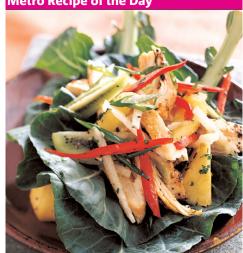
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Metro Recipe of the Day



Jamaican Jerked Chicken Salad

INGREDIENTS

4 scallions, thinly sliced 3 cloves garlic, minced 1/4 tsp dried thyme 1 tsp black pepper 1 tsp ground allspice 1 tsp salt 4 tbsp red wine vinegar 2 tbsp Dijon mustard 2 tsp dark brown sugar 1 lb skinless, boneless chicken breasts 1 tbsp olive oil 2 cups pineapple chunks 4 kiwis, peeled and cut into wedges 1 large red pepper, cut into matchsticks 1 cup jicama matchsticks

1. In large bowl, stir together garlic, thyme, black pepper, allspice, half of scallions and 1/2 tsp salt. Stir in 2 tbsp of vinegar, 1 tbsp mustard, and

brown sugar. Add chicken, rubbing mixture into meat. Cover and set aside.

2. In separate bowl, whisk together remaining vinegar, mustard, 1/4 tsp salt and oil. Add remaining scallions, pineapple, kiwis, red pepper and jicama, and toss.

3. Preheat broiler. Broil chicken 15 cm from heat, 4 minutes per side, or until cooked through. When cool enough to handle, slice chicken on diagonal. Add to bowl and toss.

SERVES 4

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For nutritional infor mation on this and out Key Ingredients



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ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20 A positive attitude is a must Forget about things that go wrong and focus on things that go right — there are still plenty

of them

SEPT 23-OCT 23
Life is not a zero sum game:

someone else does not have to lose every time you win. Don't feel bad that you have gained

TAURUS

If you are in a loved one's bad books then it might be wise to make amends. A heartfelt apology will get you off the hook this time

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22
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GEMINI

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SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

If an idea you thought was a

good one is not working out the way you expected just ditch it and try something else.

CANCER

This may be an important time for financial matters but you don't need to worry yourself sick about them. You'll find a way out of your dilemma.

CAPRICORN DEC 22-IAN 20

So many of the things you have been worrying about bear no re-lation to reality. You have simply got into the habit of expecting certain things to go wrong.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

A more relaxed attitude to both personal and professional matters will pay dividends, even though you may not see much progress today.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18 A relationship problem nowhere near as serious as you have persuaded yourself that it is. and you can easily resolve it. So what are you waiting for?

VIRGO

You may look tough on the outside but you are a lot more sensitive than most people realize. Bu today you'll experience in-credible highs. Enjoy it!

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